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Biographical/Historical Note

Asa Hodges was born on January 22, 1822, near Moulton, Alabama, to William Hodges and Jeanette Daugherty Hodges. He and his family later moved to Marion (Crittenden County). After receiving his early education in local schools, he graduated from LaGrange College in LaGrange, Missouri, in 1848. Hodges also studied law and was admitted to the Alabama state bar in 1848. He then began to practice law, working first in the offices of L. P. Walker in Florence, Alabama, and later forming a legal partnership with Thomas M. Peters, who would later serve as chief justice of the Alabama Supreme Court. In April 1853, Hodges married Caroline Chick, and shortly after their marriage, he bought a cotton plantation, worked by slaves, in Crittenden County, Arkansas, to which they moved. Shortly afterward, Hodges was made a probate judge in the county. Hodges set his sights on the U.S. House of Representatives, and running as a Republican in 1872, he won by fewer than 1,000 votes. He took his seat in 1873 and represented the First District until 1875. In 1888, voters overwhelmingly returned him to the Arkansas General Assembly as a member of the House of Representatives, where he served until 1890. Hodges died near Marion on June 6, 1900. He is interred in Elmwood Cemetery in Memphis.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains an 1861 tax receipt for Asa Marion Hodges of Crittenden County, Arkansas.

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